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EXAMINING GROUP 1651**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Examiner: Jon P. WEBER

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Response and Amendment

This is in response to the Advisory Action dated May 23, 2002. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on May 10, 2002. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in light of the following amendments and remarks. The period for response has been extended to September 10, by the accompanying petition and fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

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